

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

1-5. (cancelled)

6. (currently amended) A display device disposed in a cabin of a construction machine, which comprises:

a display screen with a background portion and a display portion, the display portion displaying a current status of the construction machine, the display device displaying at least one color in [[a]] the background portion thereof and at least one image in [[a]] the display portion thereof, said at least one color displayed in said background portion and said at least one image displayed in said display portion respectively having a brightness, saturation and hue; and

change means for ~~changing~~ increasing or decreasing at least one of the respective brightness, saturation and hue between of said at least one ~~displayed color of~~ displayed in said background portion ~~and relative to the~~ respective brightness, saturation and hue of said at least one ~~displayed image of~~ displayed in said display portion.

7. (currently amended) A display device ~~for~~ disposed in a cabin of a construction machine according to claim 6, wherein said change means changes one of the following:

(1) the brightness, saturation or hue of said ~~displayed~~ color of displayed in said background portion, and

(2) the brightness, saturation or hue of one of said ~~displayed~~ color of displayed in said background portion and said ~~displayed~~ image of displayed in said display portion which occupies a larger area on said display screen.

8. (currently amended) A display device ~~for~~ disposed in a cabin of a construction machine according to claim 6, wherein said change means changes the brightness, saturation or hue of said ~~displayed~~ color of displayed in said background portion.

9. (currently amended) A display device ~~for~~ disposed in a cabin of a construction machine according to claim 6, further comprising:

an illumination switch for turning an illumination on and off,

wherein in response to the ON/OFF of said illumination switch, said change means changes one of the following:

(1) the brightness, saturation or hue of said ~~displayed~~ color of displayed in the said background portion,

(2) the brightness, saturation or hue of said ~~displayed~~ image of displayed in said display portion, and

(3) the brightness, saturation or hue of one of ~~displayed~~ said color of ~~displayed in~~ said background portion and said ~~displayed~~ image of ~~displayed in~~ said display portion which occupies a larger area on said display screen.

10. (currently amended) A display device disposed in a cabin of a construction machine, which comprises:

a display screen with a background portion and a display portion, the display portion displaying a current status of the construction machine, the display device displaying at least one color in [[a]] the background portion thereof and at least one image in [[a]] the display portion thereof, said at least one color displayed in said background portion and said at least one image displayed in said display portion respectively having a brightness, saturation and hue;

illuminance detecting means for detecting illuminance inside or outside of the cabin; and

change means for increasing or decreasing at least one of the respective brightness, saturation and hue between of said at least one ~~displayed~~ color of ~~displayed in~~ said background portion and relative to the respective brightness, saturation and hue of said at least one ~~displayed~~ image of ~~displayed in~~ said display portion, depending on whether the illuminance detected by said illuminance detecting means is higher or lower than a predetermined threshold value.

11. (currently amended) A display device ~~for~~ disposed in a cabin of a construction machine according to claim 6, wherein said change means changes the brightness, saturation or hue of said ~~displayed~~ color ~~of~~ displayed in said background portion and said ~~displayed~~ image ~~of~~ displayed in said display portion at the same time.

12. (currently amended) A display device ~~for~~ disposed in a cabin of a construction machine according to claim 10, wherein said change means changes the brightness, saturation or hue of said ~~displayed~~ color ~~of~~ displayed in said background portion and said ~~displayed~~ image ~~of~~ displayed in said display portion at the same time.